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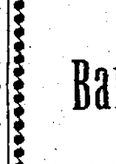

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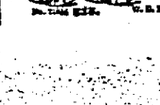

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CHAPTER XX.
CASHIERED.

The cheer, the shriek, Miss Fitz Hugh's words, sounded in Colonel Maynard's ears as he put spurs to his horse and dashed away up the stream in a direction parallel with the Union lines. The cheer was the announcement of the completion of an act by which he had parted with what he held most dear—the confidence of his superiors, his peers and the rank and file of the army. He had given to Caroline Fitz Hugh to see the rising of the sun whose light was now broadening in the east. He had called down upon himself what to him was the bitterest of all degradation, perhaps to meet the fate that had been intended for her. Riding up the creek on the bank to avoid the Confederate lines, he approached a wood. This he entered, crossed the creek unobserved and emerged to see the men by whom the escaping party had been chased turning toward the ridge. Not caring to be questioned by them, he rode back into the wood until they were in a position not to see him. Then he trotted slowly to the ridge and over it, making his way back to his tent.

It was now broad daylight. As he dismounted he noticed a detachment of cavalry marching on foot, under the direction of an officer, toward the house where Miss Fitz Hugh had been confined. On arriving there they halted, and the officer went inside. In a few minutes he came out and strode over to Colonel Maynard's tent. The colonel had gone in. He had thrown off his cavalry jacket and was waiting for what was to follow. The officer entered the tent, and not recognizing Maynard, shorn of his board, asked for the colonel commanding.

"I am Colonel Maynard."

"Ah! I did not recognize you, colonel. I have just called for the spy in the house where I expected to find her and was told by the sergeant that he had delivered her soon after midnight to two men bearing an order from you."

"Well?"

"I suspect something must be wrong. Was the order a forgery?"

"No."

"Then the prisoner is in your keeping?"

"No."

"Escaped?"

"Yes."

The officer was too astonished to ask any more questions at once.

"Who is responsible?" he asked presently.

"I am."

"You?"

"Yes, I. You will march your men back to camp. You need not make any official report of the matter unless you choose. I will report the escape myself."

The officer bowed, and with the same astonishment on his face that had been there turned from the tent, and going to the men standing in the road march them back to camp.

Colonel Maynard unhooked his sword from his belt and handed it to the general. Then he rode back to his tent, and as he entered it he felt that he had left his former self outside; that, as in the case of a fallen comrade, he would never see this being of the past again. As for his present self, that, if suffered to live, could only live a life in death.

A court martial was convened to try Colonel Maynard with as much dispatch as had attended the trial of the escaped woman. The charge was "giving aid and comfort to the enemy," the specification "himself aiding in the escape of a spy in the service of said enemy."

The court met on the afternoon of the day on which Maynard had reported his act. Men of his own grade, or near it, sat about a pine table in a wall tent and proceeded with the formalities attending the case. As Maynard pleaded guilty to both charge and specification there was little to do except to come to a verdict. Before doing so the president asked the accused if he had anything to say in his behalf, any explanation to make.

"No," was his reply.

"Colonel Maynard," said the president, "you have served this army with distinction. You have been respected, trusted, beloved as few other men in it. You have confessed to having committed one of the most atrocious crimes that can come under the jurisdiction of a military court. Nothing can excuse it. There may be something to palliate it. I conjure you to speak before the court brings in a verdict and names your punishment."

"Mr. President," replied Maynard, "for my act toward this army I am accountable to you as a court martial convened to try me; for my act as one of right or wrong, of honor or dishonor, I am accountable only to a tribunal with which you have nothing to do. Do not waste valuable time. Before the sun sets twice, if I mistake not, you will have a more important work to do in the reception of the enemy. Do your duty as a court, and do it with dispatch."

The re was not an officer present but looked at Maynard with a curious admiration. It was plain that he had sacrificed himself, though it was not entirely plain why. Even those who condemned him most bitterly seemed to hesitate to bring in a verdict which would naturally carry with it the punishment of death.

"You are mistaken, colonel," said one of them, referring to Maynard's predictions. "The enemy have been in full retreat ever since we left Murfreesboro. I only fear he's going to give us the slip again."

"I regret your confidence, sir," replied Maynard. "I am aware that others feel as you do, and it is a mistake which will cost this army dear."

"Nonsense. Haven't we"—

"This is not the place to discuss problems for which only our commanding general is responsible," interrupted the president. "Let the prisoner leave the court."

Maynard was led away, and the court proceeded to consider a verdict. There was little time spent on it, for there was but one thing to do, and that was to make it "guilty of the charge and guilty of the specification." Then began a discussion of the punishment. One of the members stated that it was only to Colonel Maynard, he was in his tent, waiting to know his fate. He had expected to be shot. He hardly knew whether he was more moved by the leniency shown him or more disappointed at being obliged to live a disgraced man. But one reason gave him comfort that he was not to die—his wife. He knew that, although all others looked upon him with horror, she would love him all the more that he suffered.

CHAPTER XXI.
A MILITARY PROBLEM.

The events attending the capture and escape of Caroline Fitz Hugh and the dismissal of Colonel Maynard from the service all happened in such quick succession that Jakey Slack was not aware of what was taking place until after it was all over. It must be confessed that Maynard had not treated his most devoted adherent with the consideration he merited. But it is the way of people who are rising to continue to gradually, personally known to him for a fact that the accused had one year before visited Chattanooga as a spy, when the place was held by the Confederates, had been captured, tried, condemned and sentenced to be hanged; that Jacob Slack, a boy who was now serving as his orderly, had been with him; that he had contrived to get news of Maynard's condition to Missouri Slack, his sister, at Jasper, Tenn.; that she had gone to Chattanooga, had entered his jail, had exchanged clothes with the prisoner and thus effected his escape; that he had been concealed and afterward helped through the lines by a Miss Fain, whom he had married on reaching the Union lines.

"I put it to you, gentlemen," he concluded, "could one whose life had been saved by women carry out a sentence of death upon a woman for the same offense for which it was intended he should suffer?"

The speaker knew nothing of the relations existing between Maynard and Fitz Hugh. It is impossible to know what might have been the effect had he possessed this knowledge. The court acted only on the information communicated by the officer who told the story of Maynard's experience as a spy, and the main facts in this were known throughout the army. The circumstances of the accused's sentence by Confederates to be hanged for a spy and his escape, the valuable service he had rendered the Union cause, the reasons he had for not wishing to shoot a woman, saved his life. The sentence of the court was that he be dismissed the service, with forfeiture of all pay and emoluments.

When this sentence was communicated by leave off familiarity with those formerly most intimate with them.

Maynard had treated Jakey with meek deference, but had not thought of leaning upon him for advice or strength, much less comfort, and during the raging of the fire through which he had passed Jakey Slack had been as far from his mind as if he had not existed.

One evening as "retreat" was sounding—it was the evening of the colonel's deposition from his rank and command—Jakey walked into his tent. Maynard's head was bowed down on his camp cot. Hearing some one enter, he looked up and saw his old friend. Had Jakey been another boy, when he saw the haggard look, the strongly marked lines of suffering in the face before him, he would have shown some mark of the effect such a sight had upon him. Not so Jakey. There was no expression either of surprise or grief upon his unexpressive countenance. But the sight of Jakey standing there to remind him that, though a whole army condemned him, there was one in it who never could be brought to think him guilty of any crime had a different effect on the late commander. He reached out his hand, took that of Jakey, and, drawing the boy toward him, folded him in his arms. Thus do those who have been deprived of their greatness go back for sympathy to those from whom they have farthest departed.

Maynard held the boy against his breast while he gave way to convulsive sobs such as are unusual in a man and only come when some mental struggle under an intense grief is relaxed and suffering permitted to get control. Neither spoke. Jakey's presence reminded Maynard the more keenly of those he loved. His mind had been upon his wife and child. Jakey's coming brought also Sourl's image and the trials and triumphs which he and Jakey and Sourl had once passed together, and trials and triumphs borne in company wold hearts. Of all who loved him only Jakey was there, and on him alone could he rely for comfort.

At last Jakey withdrew himself from his friend's embrace. He had permitted him to indulge his grief for a few minutes, and this he considered quite long enough.

"General," he began. He had always called his chief "general," contending that he was a general since he commanded a brigade.

"No more of that, Jakey. I am only Maynard now—Mark Maynard. Mark is a good enough name for me."

"Waal, that don't make no differ. You uns got th' same body 'n arms 'n legs 'n all that. How y' done th' fust thing fo' ter do?"

"What's that, Jakey?"

"Tell Mrs. Maynard."

"Jakey, I can't."

"Reckon she'll hev ter know it some time."

"There's going to be a battle. No court can keep me from shouldering a musket or wielding a saber. I'll go into the fight that's coming and never come out of it. Then she'll not need to know it."

"What makes y' think ther's goin ter be a fight?"

"I would not have the intuitions of a soldier if I did not."

"Y' hain't General Rosey."

"Nor do I pood to be General Rosey to divine what's coming. Do you suppose I know any more about war with eagles on my shoulders than in a private's uniform? If there were some superior being to look into the heads of the men composing this army and readjust the rank in accordance with fitness, many a star would leave the shoulder of what was taking place until after it was all over. It must be confessed that Maynard had not treated his most devoted adherent with the consideration he merited. But it is the way of people who are rising to continue to gradually, personally known to him for a fact that the accused had one year before visited Chattanooga as a spy, when the place was held by the Confederates, had been captured, tried, condemned and sentenced to be hanged; that Jacob Slack, a boy who was now serving as his orderly, had been with him; that he had contrived to get news of Maynard's condition to Missouri Slack, his sister, at Jasper, Tenn.; that she had gone to Chattanooga, had entered his jail, had exchanged clothes with the prisoner and thus effected his escape; that he had been concealed and afterward helped through the lines by a Miss Fain, whom he had married on reaching the Union lines.

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"Waal, of we fight 'em, won't we whip 'em?"

Jakey noticed that, with the change of his friend's mind from his grief to war, there was an immediate improvement from the terrible depression upon him. He asked the question for the purpose of keeping Maynard's attention fixed for a time on war rather than for information.

"Whip 'em? Why, Jakey, we're scattered all over creation." He dipped his finger in a tin cup full of water and began to draw a rude map on the top of an extemporized table, consisting of a square board nailed on a stake driven in the ground.

"Here's the Chickamauga flowing between these two ridges, Missionary and the Pigeon mountains, from south to north into the Tennessee. Crittenden's corps is here at Lee and Gordon's mill. Thomas' corps has just passed through Stevens' gap down here, ten or a dozen miles from Crittenden, while McCook is at Alpind, 30 miles away from Thomas. We are off here near Reed's bridge, the tip of the left wing, 40 miles from McCook, the tip of the right wing.

"Bragg is here at Lafayette, on the east side of the Pigeon mountains, and opposite our center at Crawfish Springs, where he can strike any one of our corps separately. He can ride up on to the Pigeon mountains, and, looking down on the valley of the Chickamauga, see just where we are located. I was up there myself the other day with a reconnoitering party and came upon one of his scouts, looking as us very much as one would survey a barnyard of fat turkeys before Christmas."

He paused and seemed lost in some attendant problem. Presently he added absently:

"All I'd be afraid of would be de-

lay."

"What d'y' mean by that?" asked Jakey.

Maynard started. "I was thinking that I was on the other side," he said. "You see, Jakey, in a military point of view the beauty of the situation is all with the Confederates."

"How?"

"They can cut us up in detail."

"Wha'd-y' do ef y' wor him wus?"

"If I'd drive a wedge right in here between Thomas' and Crittenden's corps. I'd destroy first one and then the other. After that I'd eat my rations and have plenty of time to take care of McCook's, which is too far away even to hear the guns."

"That'd be hunky," said Jakey, pretending to catch his friend's enthusiasm. "Pity 'twasn't t'other way 'n we had 'em as they got we uns. Mobbe of you uns wor in command of our army y' moughtdo somep'n fo' ter change th' siteration."

"I?"

"Yes, what'd y' do?"

"That's a poser, Jakey."

Maynard studied his improvised map for awhile without speaking, as if it were a chessboard. At last he said:

"General Rosecrans, I learn, has ordered his scattered columns concentrated at Crawfish Springs, the center of his line. Perhaps this is as good a plan as any, at least if Bragg gives him time enough to close up. To me two plans seem to be open. One is to demonstrate along the Chickamauga, principally with cavalry, while"—

"What's demonstrate?" interrupted the listener.

"Make a feint, a fuss; pretend to have a big force and only have a little one. I would leave the campfires burning at night, to make them think I was still there, and draw my army away to Mission ridge. Moving backward on converging lines"—

"What's them?"

"Lines coming to a focus"—

"What's a focus?"

"Confound it, Jakey, we'll be attacked and whipped before I can make you understand. These roads you see come together at Chattanooga. From Chattanooga, if necessary, the army could be crossed"—

"I thought we uns was a-follerin them uns!" observed Jakey, surprised at the turn the campaign had taken.

"Jakey, did you ever hear of the man who held his adversary down by placing his nose between that adversary's teeth?"

"No."

"Well, that's the way we're holding our enemy, but your remark leads to the other side of the problem. Desperate diseases require desperate remedies. If I were a general, I'd never be on the defensive if I could help it, cost what it might. It sets a man to wondering what his enemy is going to do, instead of doing something himself. Now, our southernmost column might be pushed out here"—putting his finger on the line denoting the Georgia Central railroad—"to cut the Confederates' avenue for supplies. Bragg might turn and crush it, but he can do that now. The trouble is, Jakey, we need troops for quick marches; flying columns to move without camp equipage. Such a column down there could strike, retreat, strike at another point, and so confuse an enemy that he wouldn't know what was to happen next."

Jakey was too young to understand the phases of the war problem in which Maynard's mind had become engrossed to the obliteration of his trial, disgrace, wife, child, friends, comrades, everything but the game that charmed him. But Jakey's mind was as much on his friend as his friend's was on the problem, and he determined to go on fostering the weakened interest. Unmindful of the demonstration made thus far, he suddenly broke out:

"Supposin I wor th' general commandin this hyar army 'n you uns wor th' general commandin t'other army. Now, how would it do fo' me ter march out in the middle o' the night 'n just knock the stuffin right ont'n you uns?"

Maynard smiled. It suddenly occurred to him how little Jakey knew of the game of war; how useless had been his explanations.

"What would be your plan of attack, general?" he asked, wishing to humor the boy.

"Waal," said Jakey, who had no more idea of what he was talking about than the 14-year-old boy he was, "I reckon I'd put the big guns in a long line on top o' th' Pea Vine ridge hyar, 'n jest scatter shot 'n shell like chicken feed."

Maynard burst into a laugh. Jakey surveyed the altered expression of his friend's face with his bright little eyes and chuckled, but his own face was as imperturbable as usual.

"General," said the boy commander's supposititious enemy, "what would you do if I were to draw my troops out of range?"

Jakey was puzzled. He made a desperate effort to conjure up a reply.

"Waal," he said presently, "I reckon I'd just wait fo' you uns ter do somep'n."

"Your ground would be strong enough in itself, but weak on the flanks, especially your left, and in case of retreat you would have the creek to cross in face of an enemy, a hazardous undertaking. I would turn your left and get possession of the roads to Chattanooga. Perhaps I could defeat you and force you to recross the creek. While you were doing so I'd could knock you to pieces. If you succeeded in crossing, you would find my troops in your rear between you and Chattanooga."

Jakey neither understood nor even heard a word his opponent said, but he looked as seriously studious over the problem as if he were the general commanding.

"Are you whipped, general?" asked Maynard.

"Waal, mebbe of I air whipped I don't know nothin 'bout it, 'n I'll just go on fightin till I make you uns think that you uns air whipped."

"Like Grant at Pittsburg Landing."

The reference was lost on Jakey, but it led him to think that he had made a point. He looked very wise and said nothing. He was thinking on a line which he feared might be of some practical importance to his individual self. He was not certain but that it would be necessary for him to make the connecting link in person between his friend and his friend's wife. So he turned the conversation on lines of retreat.

"Now, supposin," he said, "just supposin I war bested right hyar, how'd I git away?"

"That would depond on the condition of things. If I were the general opposing you, you'd never get away safely. I'd never stop till I had driven you into the Tennessee river."

"How could I get thar from hyar?"

"This part of your army where we are now could only fall back on Rossville. There the flanks would be better protected for a stand. You could go from Rossville to Chattanooga by this road" (pointing to it on the map). "If you should be successful in keeping your enemy far enough from you and long enough, you might cross the fords there and save your army. You might perhaps stay there if not too much in the numbers and if you could keep your line of supply open."

"This air th' bridge I'd cross the creek on, I reckon," pointing to Reed's bridge on the map.

"That's the nearest from where we are."

"Waal, general," said Jakey in a tone to indicate that the discussion of the campaign was ended, "of you uns bust me, I'll retreat that a-way."

THE NEBULAR THEORY.

How, According to It, the Sun and the Planets Were Formed.

The finite mind can hardly conceive of a time when there was neither sun nor planets, yet both the Bible and science teach us that such a state of affairs once actually existed. We have all read the Biblical account of creation, and not a few of us have spent valuable time reading learned essays on the evolution of things in the time of "the beginning." It is not the purpose of this "note" to discuss the origin of the world and the planets from a Bible standpoint, nor do we mean to give a summary of scientific opinions on the subject. On the contrary, we shall confine our remarks to what is known as the "nebular hypothesis," or nebular theory of the origin of worlds and suns.

According to the opinion of the most learned astronomers, the "beginning" is ushered in with the existence throughout all space of an undefinable matter of substance called "nebula." This nebula was of such wonderful thinness that it is believed that millions of miles of it could have easily been compressed into a common thimble. The heavier portions gradually gathered around common centers after the lapse of ages and formed planets, suns and stars, the light and heat of the two latter being due to the clashing of their component atoms as they gravitate continually toward the center of the mass.

The nebula origin of the sun and incidentally of the planets also is thus finely set forth in a recent article by a well known British writer: The matter, or rather the gas which composes our sun, was once spread out to the farthest orbit of the outermost planets of our system—that is, to the planet Neptune. From the orbit of Neptune this inconceivably thin mass began to converge, growing denser and denser and smaller and smaller as it gradually approached its existing dimensions. As it condensed, revolving upon its axis, the solar mist left behind it at intervals portions of cloudlike matter cast off from its equator.

Those masses of gas, undergoing a similar evolution to that of the sun, or central mass, have, with great slowness, hardened into what is now Jupiter, Saturn, the earth and the other planets. Meanwhile the main central mass, always recreating, eventually formed the sun itself, the present chief luminary of our system of worlds.—St. Louis Republic.

On Catching Cold In Bed.

Mark Twain once wrote a paper pointing out the appalling danger of going to bed as exemplified in bills of mortality. For one person who died out of his bed several hundred succumbed in bed, and now we have Mr. Ashby-Sterry drawing attention to the same thing. Shakspere he has hymned in graceful verse pantaletts, frills and the tempestuous petticoat, and now, quantum mutatus ab illo Hectore, he lauds the pyjama. In a recent number of The Graphic he says:

"I have a theory that most people catch cold at night after they are in bed, and it is to this fact that I attribute a great deal of the violent colds, the bronchial catarrhs and influenzas which have recently been so prevalent. The temperature goes down suddenly in the night, and people catch cold when they are asleep without knowing it. This will is to be counteracted, not by piling on a lot of heavy blankets, but by wearing thick, close fitting garments of a pyjamalike nature and warm socks on the feet. If this system were adopted, I am quite certain that it would be found beneficial."

There is common sense in this. People unquestionably may catch cold in bed, especially if there are at all reckless and so kick the bedclothes off. In that event if only clad in a thin cotton nightshirt they are sure to catch cold, whereas if clad in pyjamas, not necessarily thick, but made of some woolen material, the chance of a chill is much lessened.—London Lancet.

Steam Attachment to Telephone.

Manager Fowler of the Telephone exchange, Ashland, Ky., has devised an ingenious attachment for telephones, to be used in factories and shops where the amount of noise makes it almost impossible to hear the call bell of the instrument. It consists of a steam whistle, which is turned on by means of a lever operated by magnetism. When the instrument is called from the exchange the bell rings as usual, and, by the electrical current passing through a magnet, a weight is released which pulls the lever to the whistle. Once started, the whistle keeps up its shrill note until some one answers the call and turns off the steam, which is done by simply replacing the weight. One of these attachments is being placed at the local steel plant, another at the tannery and several more will probably be installed in sawmills and similar establishments.—Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.

An Odd Wager.

A queer wager is the one popularly believed to have been won by Sir Walter Raleigh from Queen Elizabeth, on the debatable question of how much smoke is exemplified in a pound of tobacco. A pound of the article was weighed, burned and then weighed in ashes, and the question was held to be satisfactorily settled by determining the weight of the smoke as exactly that of the tobacco before being burned, minus the ashes. The fact of the ashes having received an additional weight by combination with the oxygen of the atmosphere was unthought of by Elizabeth and the knight.

A Symptom.

He staggered to the door. "Your infernal," he gasped, "will drive me to insane." She laughed mockingly. At the present she guessed his words lightly, but when upon the following day she saw him abroad wearing a pink shirt she was startled and bethought her of his fateful remark.—Detroit Tribune.

The Pearl river, Mississippi, was called by the Indians the Talle-hatchie, "the river of pearls."

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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

For Treasurer
THOMAS B. CLARK,
of Bradford City.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

PHILADELPHIA PA June 15 1896

To the Republican Electors of [illegible] State Committee has been directed by the Republicans of Pennsylvania, by their duly chosen representatives, will meet in State Convention at Harrisburg, on the August 26th at 11 o'clock a m for the following purposes to wit

For the nomination of candidates for a state treasurer and two judges for the Supreme Court, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented

By order of the Republican State Committee
H. F. GILKESON Chairman

GOVERNOR HASTINGS has been sending letters to different parts of the State asking his friends to use their influence to secure delegates favorable to H. F. Gilkeson as chairman of the State Committee, claiming that the overwhelming Republican majority in the State last fall was owing to Gilkeson's energetic work in the campaign. The question is, what great work did Gilkeson accomplish? Simply nothing, only to assume control of the funds subscribed to carry on the campaign, not a cent of which reached this section. From the favors (?) that this part of the state has derived from the present administration a person would naturally infer that the party in power at Harrisburg was Democratic in its principles. The Republicans of the State are not beholden to H. F. Gilkeson for anything the majority of 243,000 last fall was bound to come. The people were determined to vote, and a man might have stood at the polls with a two ball bat and still he would have been unable to have kept the people from voting. These begging letters of his Governor's will have no effect on the rank and file of this section and why Hastings should notice the Republicans one night in the northwestern part of the State to even write such letters is a mystery. As regards favors we are like the lost tribes of Israel. There are several counties in this part of the State that the Governor seemed to have entirely forgotten until the happy thought struck him that perhaps by writing letters to his friends here he would be able to secure some help for his fat ticket. But without avail. The Governor might come up here with a band and march through McKean county east and west north and south furnishing sweet strains of music all the time and he would not be able to secure a corporal's guard let alone securing a delegate from this county. Last fall we marched to the polls in solid ranks and deposited our votes with the hopes that by doing our best we would place a man in the executive chair who would not be lead around at the beck and nod of every shylock of a politician of the Martin Porter stripe, but we were mistaken. We lived in the hopes that our large majority had healed all internal strife in our party, but these young sprigs of leaders desire to mount upon the shoulders of older heads and ride to the devil and destruction. If good honest hard work will defeat these hot headed jays who aspire to leadership, then surely they will be defeated as they richly deserve. It is too bad to see the executive stepping down from his high position and entering into the peanut politics of the State.

THERE is rather a novel discussion going on at the present time in Chicago between Hon. Roswell G. Horr of the New York *Tribune* and W. H. Harvey, author of "Coin's Financial School." The discussion will continue for a period of eight days, each speaking for ten minutes, and then the other side taking up the argument. Before the argument is finished the people will have a better knowledge of Mr. Harvey's theory of finance. Mr. Horr will find the weak places in the armor of free silver and give it such a skilling that there will be nothing but shreds left of Coin's School of Finance. Let the light be turned so that the people will better understand the questions that will come before them during the next presidential campaign.

TIMES are improving. The Treasury deficit thus far for the month of July is $13,000,000. The new Wilson-Gorman tariff is doing wonders. In order to make as good a showing as possible in the Treasury report for the fiscal year ending June 30th last, the Treasury officials had avoided paying all bills possible, to keep the expenditures down to a low figure, but now these bills have to be paid. Hence a deficit unexpected of almost fourteen million dollars for the first half of July.

"CHICKENS, like chickens, come to roost." A Democratic legislature of New York passed the excise law and Ex-Governor David B. Hill signed the bill. Theodore Roosevelt has been enforcing the law for the last two Sundays, and many a Democrat has been spitting cotton from his inability to get any beer on the Lord's day. The unterrified never would have passed such a law if they had supposed for a moment that it would be enforced.

KING OSCAR, of Sweden, has given 30,000 kroners to a Swedish balloonist by the name of Andreo to assist the latter to make a balloon expedition to the north pole. Great care is taken in the outfit. Mr. Andreo will start from an island north of Spitzbergen, and if the currents are favorable, the trip to the north pole will be made in forty hours. Next summer is the time designated for the unique journey.

WHAT a lot of free advertising the different newspapers throughout the State are deriving over the factional fight in the State. The Philadelphia *Press* and *Inquirer* having taken opposite sides, are representing every comment made by the country newspapers on either side.

THE ninth annual State convention of the county commissioners of Pennsylvania will be held at the Court House, Meadville, Pa., commencing Tuesday, Oct. 1 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m.

BRADFORD county sends four delegates to the State convention, two for Quay and two for Hastings.

PRESS CLUB MEETING.

The first annual meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Press Club, which convened at Erie last Friday, was one that will remain long in the memory of those who participated in the gathering. The visitors were entertained in high style by the hospitable citizens and members of the local club of the beautiful city. The following members were present from McKean county: Mrs. Ada Cable, Bradford *Era*; Miss Ada Malone, Kane *Leader*; George Northrup, Kane *Republican*; Burt Olson, McKEAN MINER. Col. Rogers arrived too late for the business meeting, which was held at Sommerheim, at the head of the bay.

On Friday afternoon, immediately after dinner W. P. Atkinson, S. W. Hollis and J. H. Kelley escorted the visitors about the city. After enjoying a visit to the most important places in the city, the party stopped at The Maples for a short rest and light refreshments. The next feature was one of the most enjoyable of the day. It was a ride over the bay in steam and naptha launches. The first point of interest was the Life Saving Station, where Captain Johnson put his crew through the life boat and mortar shooting drill. The party re-embarked for Sommerheim, which was reached at 6 o'clock. After a season of social intercourse, supper was served. About 70 guests enjoyed the excellent menu. An intellectual and musical treat in the pavillion was a fitting conclusion to the day's enjoyment. Mrs. Wm. P. Atkinson's vocal solos were enjoyable features of the excellent programme rendered. Piano solos by Prof. Eckert, banjo and guitar solos by Mr. Rabe, cornet solo by Charles P. Rea, mandolin and guitar duets by Messrs. Shele and Arnold, and humorous recitations by Harry Holland were well received.

At 10 o'clock the business session commenced. After listening to the secretary and treasurer's reports, the club proceeded to the election of officers, with the following result:

P. L. Boyle, Oil City *Derrick*, president. W. P. Atkinson, Erie *Herald*, vice president. Mrs. Ada Cable, Bradford *Era*, secretary. Willis Cowan, Warren *Mail*, treasurer. Governing Board, W. J. Read, Clarion; Wm. Whittaker, Venango; A. W. McCoy, Crawford; J. E. Wenk, Forest; W. H. Baker, Elk; C. F. White, Warren; Burt Olson, McKean; F. G. Gurenlle, Erie.

V. J. Palm, of Crawford, S. W. Hollis and Wm. P. Atkinson, of Erie, were appointed a committee to arrange for the proposed excursion of all Western Pennsylvania Press Clubs to the Atlanta Exposition in November.

Northrup were appointed a committee on resolutions. They submitted the following:

WHEREAS, The Western Pennsylvania Press Club, at the [illegible] annual session, [illegible]

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Drilling on the Haskell well is progressing finely.

—F. W. Brownell is ill with typhoid fever, but is improving.

—Read bargains offered in Andrews & Conklin's adv. this week.

—Read the Olean Racket Store's new adv. in another column.

—The store of J. Colegrove has been receiving a coat of paint.

—Lew Burke has been very ill with typhoid fever for the past week.

—She—If you kiss me, I scream. He—Certainly. What flavor?—*Ex.*

—W. E. McCammon was confined to the house by sickness the first of the week.

—Malley Greeley was incarcerated in Castle Walker on July 12 for violation of the liquor law.

—And the hum of the mowing machine now hummeth around the home of the honest granger.

—Dennis Quilliak has been doing quite a job of barbering on the court house lawn this week.

—J. C. Gallup has retired from his position in the store of W. D. Gallup, and will take a vacation.

—McKean county is a pretty hard place of country for bicycle riding. Smethport has several "sick" wheels.

—Mrs. J. W. Reilly calls the attention of her lady readers to a special sale of millinery goods for the next two weeks in an adv. which appears in another column. Read it.

—Little Sidney Burdick, who has been suffering with an attack of typhoid fever, is improving.

—During these hot days the best and healthiest drink to be obtained is good fresh buttermilk at the creamery.

—Mrs. J. W. Seaborn and Mrs. W. F. Specht have adopted the habit of arising early and taking a spin on their wheels.

—John Reilly, the man who recently burglarized the store of Dr. Chuney at Custer City, was lodged in jail on Tuesday night.

—The remains of Mrs. McMahon, who died at Mt. Jewett last Sunday at the age of 84 years, were taken to Sartwell Tuesday for burial.

—Prentiss is putting up two rustic Barre hewn markers for W. P. Walsh, one to be placed on the grave of his late wife and the other for the child.

—Thomas Ryan, the efficient superintendent of the county poor farm, lays claim to, and we have no doubts about it, having the finest piece of oats in the county.

—Miss Roberts is running in opposition to her brother in the sewing machine business. She was seen on our streets on Wednesday night driving a wagon with three bran-new singers aboard.

—Successful advertisers use Remington's County Seat Lists. They include the best towns and best papers. We can recommend them highly. Send to Remington Brothers, New York, for copy.

—The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg R'y will run an excursion to Rochester and Ontario Beach on Saturday, July 27. Special fast train leaves Bradford at 12:50 a. m. Fare, round trip, from Bradford, $1.50.

—Mr. Hall, of the Nunundah Creamery, had an extensive job on hand this week. He had ten firkins of butter, averaging 80 pounds to the firkin, to put up in 2 pound rolls for Hotton Bros., Portville, N. Y.

—Last Sunday there was an excursion from Elmira to Kinzua bridge, which was taken advantage of by about 500 people. Quite a number from this place rode up on their wheels. A three-shell game was in progress, which finally wound up in a lively scrap.

—We are credibly informed that Hon. Henry Hamlin has donated to St. Luke's parish of this place the munificent sum of $10,000 in bonds of the C. & P. A. R. R. Co. to be used in the maintenance of the parish for all time.

—The supervisors have repaired the Bush hill road, and did a very good job, but unfortunately left a lot of small stones in the road that should be removed as they are very liable to lame horses if allowed to remain.

—Quite a large delegation of Austin's sporting fraternity accompanied their ball team to Ulysses one day last week. Their team not being familiar with Ulysses curves, consequently they dropped their hard earned shekels.

—Manager Fred S. Burgess has signed a battery, first baseman and short-stop of the Harrisburg League players for the Kane base ball club.—*Republican.* Come again, brother. You cannot beat the Smethport team with four men.

—Dr. A. Stewart Elliott has registered for the practice of dentistry at Mt. Jewett. Mr. Stewart is the present Presbyterian minister, and while extracting teeth he will administer gas or religious consolation, as the occasion demands.

—From our exchanges we learn that many of the merchants in the neighboring towns have inaugurated the early closing movement for the months of July and August. It would be a good idea for Smethport merchants to adopt the same plan.

—After service at St. Luke's church last Sunday evening, the rector was agreeably surprised on arriving at his pleasant home to find several of his parishioners gathered there to give him a pleasant call. For an impromptu party it was a decided success.

—Anna S., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Amsbaug, of Aiken, died at her home at 9 o'clock Tuesday evening, aged 23 years. She was formerly a resident of Duke Centre and had many friends in that vicinity.—*Era.* The MINER extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

—A reporter on the Philadelphia *Inquirer* and an artist spent the whole of last Saturday night on the top of the Wm. Penn statute 546 feet from the ground. The sensation must have been rather peculiar eating their lunch at that height on the top of the old Quaker's hat.

—Kane is going to have electric lights and an electric street railway. Times are going to boom in the mountain city, and as time grows space they are to extend their electric road to Mt. Jewett and Smethport. Then the cry will be, "greater Kane." The chances are that they will annex the county seat to the borough of Kane.

—A matter of interest to boroughs in this state was decided recently by the court at Norristown. The question was whether borough police had the right to arrest anyone outside the limits of town. Township constables contended that police had no right to do it. The court decided that they have the right, as it was very inconvenient for a policeman chasing a culprit to stop at the edge of the town and call for a constable.

—We have all heard of the chap who stole a red hot stove, and it has been related of an oil country thief that he once tried to steal an oil well, but these attempts seem tame when compared with that of a New York burglar who stole and ran away with a bull dog which the owner of the house he had tried to enter "nicked" at him.—*Blizzard.* That's nothing. All he needed to capture the dog was a good solid seat to his pantaloons.

—The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg R'y will run one of their popular excursions to Buffalo & Niagara Falls on Tuesday, July 30. Fare from Bradford, round trip, $2.00. Returning excursionists can leave the Falls by any regular train on the N. Y. C. and H. R. R. on July 31st, Aug. 1st, 2d and 3d, and from Buffalo on any regular train of the B., R. & P. on or before August 6th. This gives excursionists an opportunity to enjoy several days' outing, and is one of the finest trips ever arranged by this company.

—Elixford had quite a sensation last week. Two young girls of that place listened to the dulcet tones of a procuress and left their homes, going to Olean. Miss Bertha Ruland and Myrtle McGee, while in Bradford some time ago, met a Mrs. Sanford, who pretended to be a woman of great wealth and induced the girls to accompany her to Olean, there the siren became frightened and sent the girls to a house and she pretended to go to Buffalo. In the meantime Miss Ruland had written to her parents and her father came to Olean and brought the girls home. Both were very fortunate in escaping the fearful doom that would surely have followed only for the letter written home.

—The Baptist Sunday School had a very pleasant time at their picnic at Farmers Valley on Wednesday last.

—The first annual convention of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held at Bradford on August 21, 22 and 23.

—Mrs. Bosworth's solo, the "Magnificat," at St. Luke's church last Sunday evening was highly appreciated by all who were fortunate enough to be present.

—John Angelo, of Bradford, died at the hospital in that city last Saturday afternoon of pneumonia. The deceased was an Italian, aged 37 years. Funeral was held Tuesday.

—A serious freight wreck occurred on the Rochester division of the W. N. & P. R. R. on Wednesday last by which the engineer and fireman who resided in Olean, were killed.

—The Democratic county committee met at the Riddell House, Bradford, on Thursday of last week. The primaries will be held on Saturday, August 10th. The county convention will be held in the court house, at Smethport, Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 13.

—R. C. Gleason announces in another column that he will open his photograph gallery next week Thursday. This young man has taken special pains to qualify himself for the business and we do not doubt that he will have a good business. May his best wishes be realized.

—David Schlieff, of Clermont, a young man about 19 years of age, while assisting in cutting out the right of way for the new railroad from Clermont to St. Marys, cut his foot in a severe manner last Saturday. Dr. Chadwick dressed the wounds and removed one bone from the foot.

—Last Sunday as T. H. Purtle and several Bradford wheelmen were coming around the dugway on the Farmers Valley road, they "bunched up" and a grand tumble took place. Tom had the front wheel of his bicycle broken in two places and spokes bent out of shape. A Bradford rider had the step knocked off from his machine. No one was injured.

—Charles Jacobson, of Mt. Alton, passed through town Wednesday morning on his way to the East Fork of the Sinnemahoning, where he has an extensive lumber job on Bush Run. Mr. Jacobson was accompanied by two women and 18 men, with four teams and wagons heavily loaded with camp equipage.

—It is now unlawful to employ any but American citizens on public works in Pennsylvania. This will set the naturalization mills to grinding out citizenship papers at a rapid rate, and many who are unworthy of so great a boon being conferred upon them will seek to obtain the blessing. The courts should exercise their prerogative in the matter and see that each applicant has at least some qualification to fit him for the honor.

—The advance in leather has obliged manufacturers to make a corresponding advance in the price of shoes, with probably the only exception of W. L. Douglas, who, notwithstanding the high price of leather, will continue at the old prices, and give a better shoe than ever before. The recent additions to his already large factory, makes his plant the largest in the world devoted to manufacturing an exclusive line of shoes.

—Mrs. W. L. Yelton died at her home on Corydon street, Bradford, very suddenly Sunday night. She was apparently in good health when retiring. A short time afterwards her husband on going to their chamber found her unconscious. The doctors pronounced it apoplexy. The funeral was held at the residence at 7:30 p. m. Monday. The remains were taken to Buffalo for interment on Tuesday morning.

—Ask some men for an advertisement or a few locals and they will say they don't believe in advertising—a paper is never read. Let one of them be caught kissing his neighbor's wife or trying to hold up the side of a building sometime, and his tune changes instanter, and if the printing office is in a garret of a seventeen story building he will climb up to the top and beg the editor to keep quiet—not to publish it in the paper. The paper is not read—oh no!—*Ex.*

—The famous Bucktail regiment will hold their reunion at Lock Haven Sept. 4th and 5th. The officers of the association are, F. F. Kirk, president, Cross Forks; Sheriff Hoover, vice president, Lock Haven; Harry Rauch, secretary, Philadelphia. There are quite a number of the old veterans who will be sure to get the buck fever reunion and campfire excitement when the first of September arrives, and there is no doubt but that they will all be present.

—An exchange says that a town is like a large family. We are all interested in each other's welfare or should be. A cutthroat, every-man-himself policy is ruin to any community. It means retrogression and failure. The first lesson any family must learn to be successful and happy, is unity and mutual assistance. The same applies to the business life of a town, and the more generally it is obeyed the more abundant will be the town's prosperity.

A SHOOTING AFFRAY!

Girard Button Shoots Lewis Phillips at Cole Creek.

BUTTON SURRENDERS.

HE GOES BEFORE JUSTICE KNAPP, WHO REMANDS HIM TO JAIL.—THE CAUSE OF THE SHOOTING A MYSTERY—ALCOHOL PLAYS A PART—THE WOUNDED MAN WILL RECOVER.

On Sunday afternoon a man by the name of Girard Button, who had a bark job on Cole Creek, about 6 miles from here, came to the house of August Carlson, where he met a man by the name of Lewis Philips. Button produced a bottle of alcohol and they drank some. Then Button asked Phillips to accompany him home as his wife was away and he was lonesome. The two started and when they got to the camp, they drank some more liquor. Then Button said let us go to bed, which they did, entering a room not more than six foot square and went to sleep. Mr. Phillips says he was awakened by Button who had his hand on his shoulder and told him to get out of there or he would shoot him. Phillips attempted to rise up, when Button discharged the gun, the whole charge of shot striking Phillips just above the navel, tearing a hole in his shirt about 3 inches in diameter and the hole in the skin was about the size of a silver dollar. This occured between 6 and 7 p. m. Button asked Phillips if he had shot him. Phillips replied, "You have." Button then said I will go and get help and started away. Phillips following and going about 40 rods before anyone heard his cries for help. Mr. Carlson came to his assistance and removed the wounded man to his house about half a mile away. Dr. Chadwick was called and dressed the man's wounds. He enlarged the opening and found several shot, also some shot in the lower part of the stomach. The doctor then placed several stitches in the opening and left him to the care of the Carlson family.

On Monday morning Button came to town and gave himself up to Judge Knapp, who committed him to jail without any formality. There is undoubtedly something back of all this, as Phillips had been working for Button and had not got his pay. Mr. Button says there were a few dollars coming to Phillips, but would not give any of the details that led to the shooting. When informed that the doctor had strong hopes of saving the man's life, Button said, "Thank God." The queer part of the whole transaction is that while Phillips was free to talk about the matter he did not state that there was any difficulty, and when Button was giving a partial description, he suddenly stopped and gave a long drawn sigh and then said they would not say anything further, which evidently shows there was something wrong.

Button is aged somewhere between 55 and 60 years, was a soldier in the late war, enlisting first in the 17th New York Infantry and afterwards in the 5th Heavy Artillery. At the second battle of Bull Run, while making a charge over a rail fence, a shell exploded under the fence, and when he regained consciousness he found several rails lying across his body and some of his ribs broken. A hard bunch as large as a small sized goose egg shows the effect of the wound. The gun belongs to Levi Acre, a brother-in-law, who had left it there a few days previous for Mr. Button to shoot a wildcat that was hanging around the premises. Button says he had two quarts of alcohol on Sunday, but some was left.

AT KANE.

Ball Game. "Such a Game."

The game at Kane last week Thursday was a very easy one for Smethport. It was plain to any one who saw the game that the old rivalry and antagonism between Kane and Smethport still exists, and before the season is over these teams will have some hot games.

Smethport had the game from start to finish. Kane scored her only runs by an error and a home run hit over right field fence, Burke, of the Smethports, who last year when there were three men on bases, put the ball over the fence and won the game, again lifted the sphere over for a home run.

Gulliver, who started in to pitch for Kane, was very wild, and when he did put the ball over the Smethports hit it for keeps, or Gulliver hit them for keeps. Kane then tried Evans, Gillis and Haley, but with no better success. Tull pitched an excellent game for Smethport. He gave away to Morrison in the 7th inning on account of being hit on the right arm. Morrison did very well, shutting them out.

Tom Young caught his usual brilliant game. His "glass arm" is coming out all right. Morrison played a good game on first, and so did Bell at short stop, making a fine double play by catching a hot liner. Mr. McConnell's umpiring was a little unsatisfactory to our boys and also to the majority of the crowd. Kane will strengthen her team and the return game will be played in the near future.

Following is the score:

KANE.	AB	R	BH	PO	A	E
Webster, ss	3	0	1	1	1	0
Maher, 3b	3	0	0	1	2	0
Goodwin, 2b	4	1	0	0	2	0
Gillis, c. f.	4	0	0	0	0	1
Evans, lb, c. f.	4	1	0	8	0	0
Tracy, 1b	3	0	1	5	0	0
Long, cf, lb, c	4	0	0	1	0	0
Marvin, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Halford, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gulliver, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
Haley, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
Totals,	34	2	03	19	7	1

SMETHPORT.	AB	R	BH	PO	A	E
Tull, p & lb	4	2	2	1	3	0
Fuller, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	0
Morrison, 1b & p	4	1	1	9	1	0
Young, c	4	1	2	7	1	0
Burke, lf	4	2	2	1	0	0
Bauer, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Bell, ss	4	0	1	1	3	0
Gifford, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Sprague, 1f	4	0	0	1	0	0
Pierce, 2b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Totals,	38	8	11	25	12	0

*Young hit by batted ball; inning called out by the umpire.

Innings.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Kane,	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	5	7
Smethport,	4	3	2	0	1	0	0	10	16	1

Earned runs—Smethport 7; Kane 1.
Two base hits—Tull and Morrison.
Home runs—Burke and Tracy.
Hit by pitched ball—Tull, Morrison, Bell, Gifford, Sprague, Pierce, Maher.
Double play—Bell.
Passed balls—Young 6; Kane 17.
Base on balls—off Tull 3; Morrison 0; Kane 6.
Struck out—by Tull 8; Kane 6.
Umpire—D. F. McConnell.

Nunundah Creamery.

Following is a statement of the Nunundah Creamery for the month of June:

Milk received,	191,192 lbs
Fat paid for,	6,968 lbs
Price of fat per pound,	15 2-10 cts
Butter made,	7,409 lbs
Cash paid farmers for June milk,	$1,080.00

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Tom Young visited Kane on Tuesday.

Miss Rose Grumbine is visiting in Warren.

W. H. Morrison visited Bradford yesterday.

Al Hughes had business in Bradford on Tuesday.

Capt. Mayo had business in Rixford on Thursday.

Chas. Latham had business in Randolph this week.

Mrs. Church paid Bradford friends a visit on Thursday.

W. P. Bracken, of Eldred, wheeled into town on Sunday.

Mr. Simon, of Eldred, was here on business on Tuesday.

F. Pierson, salesman for W. H. Prentiss, called last Friday.

R. J. Walters, of Emporium, was in town on business last week.

Dr. E. G. Brown arrived home last Monday night from Buffalo.

John Troy, of Olean, was talking insurance on our streets on Tuesday.

Rev. J. Heber McCandless started for Pittsburg on Monday morning.

A. L. Pierce, of Olean, passed through town for Bradford on Tuesday.

M. A. Lillibridge and son, of Port Allegany, were in town on Tuesday.

J. W. Bonton, Esq., went to Coudersport on Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Com. Hungerville and Clerk E. M. Kerns had business in Eldred on Monday.

Miss Mary Bell, of Bradford, was visiting John Forrest and family over Sunday.

Rev. J. W. Sanborn delivered a lecture at Rixford on Thursday evening of last week.

C. Y. White wheeled up from Eldred in an hour on Monday last. Pretty good time.

Dr. W. R. Gibson and H. G. James, of Bradford, spent Sunday in town visiting friends.

Dr. McCoy and wife entertained a party of friends at a five o'clock tea last Monday.

Alba J. Gilfillan started for New York city on Wednesday morning.

Rev. Father Galligan went to Sartwell on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. McMahon.

Ralph and Miss Laura Cummings, of Tidioute, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Morrison.

Miss Maggie Johnson, of Olean, has been the guest of friends in town during the past week.

Nell McCullom and wife and C. L. Willey and wife, of Bradford, were at the hub on Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Reilly was in New York last week where she went to see her sister sail for Paris.

J. Albright, a former resident of Smethport, and now of Elmira, is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hungerville visited with Bradford friends during the latter part of last week.

Miss Nina Provin, of Warsaw, N. Y., is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. C. C. Sloan, of this borough.

County Commissioner R. M. Fessenden and wife, of Coudersport, were guests of S. M. Bible on Friday last.

T. B. Robinson, of Harrisburg, a commercial traveler, spent Sunday in town, the guest of J. M. McElroy.

Dr. Charles Allen, of Erie, arrived in town on Tuesday night, and has been the guest of his friend, W. H. Morrison.

Wm. Ramer, who went to Buffalo for eye treatment some time ago, returned Wednesday night without receiving any aid.

Congressman-elect F. C. Leonard and Frank L. Andrews, of Coudersport, were guests at the Grand Central on Wednesday.

Professor DuBois and wife, of Coudersport, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Crandall, on King street, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs S. E. Bell departed for Youngstown, Ohio, Monday for a week's visit among friends in that delightful town.

G. W. Mitchell returned on Tuesday from his trip to Sistersville, W. Va. He reports no oil, but plenty of salt water in the well.

Miss Helen McCoy started for Ellicottville, N. Y., on Tuesday night. She was escorted to the train by the members of the E. U. V. Q. society.

J. H. Sandstrom, of Warren, who represents the Conewango Building & Loan Association of that place, transacted business in town the forepart of the week.

B. C. Tabor and John Walter wheeled over from Port Allegany Tuesday afternoon. They were very much impressed with the beautiful scenery of our town.

The following wheelmen rode in from Kane last Sunday: Messrs. Patterson, G. A. Northrup, Ray McDade, Jno. Murphy, Adrian and August Sizer and Geo. Dodds.

Mrs. A. Sturdevant and daughter, Bertha, returned home from Buffalo on Monday night. Bertha has been there for treatment, and has strong hopes of a final recovery.

Capt. L. R. Bradder, Secy C. O. Gash, J. McAmbley, Arthur Bauer, Fred Williams, A. B. McGee, Al Eyman and N. E. Maine, all members of the Central Cycle Club of Bradford, autographed at Hotel Central on Sunday.

The genial Frank Baldwin, of Austin, a rising young attorney in the Potter county courts, spent Sunday in town greeting his many friends. The diet of onions so prevalent over the line, seems to agree with Frank, as he was looking remarkably fine.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Barrett, of Elmira, were guests at the Grand Central during the week. This happy couple recently launched their matrimonial bark away out in Michigan. Bright sunshine and gentle zephyrs have thus far attended their voyage, and may it continue to the end.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

ANNIN CREEK.

Last Sunday morning Ed. Davis started for Bradford with horses and buggy. As he turned the corner to go down the grade into Turtle Point, having no brake, the buggy crowded onto the horses' heels and they ran down across the railroad track. A short distance from the the track they made a slight turn, and both wheels on one side gave away, throwing the occupants out upon the ground. Fortunately the horses stopped. Mr. Davis had with him his wife and little child, Mrs. Emery Edgett and two children, of Tarport, and two children who are staying with Mr. Davis. No one was seriously injured, although Mrs. Davis sustained some bruises. The buggy was badly wrecked.

Pat Manne is yet unable to walk without crutches, owing to an injury received by falling from his horse about five weeks ago. His leg was injured.

Miss Simpson, who has been in this place visiting her aunt, Mrs. S. E. Wightman, has returned to her home in Canisteo, N. Y.

Rev. W. W. Tubbs, of Keating Summit, stayed over night with his brother in this place recently.

C. H. Holcomb and E. G. Tubbs have each added a new mowing machine to their stock of farming implements.

E. B. Buckley went to Shingle House on Monday, returning with a bran new hay rake.

Blanch, the little two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Tubbs, has been quite ill, but is now recovering.

Frank Carter, of Ceres, was in this place Monday.

S. E. Cooper, of Mina, came over on his wheel Monday.

Frank Knapp and wife have gone back to their home in York state.

Miss Minnie Smith has gone to Port Allegany, where she intends to learn dressmaking.

Bige Davie and wife were calling on friends here Sunday. They reside near Bolivar, N. Y.

Albert Wandover has gone to Rixford, where he will keep books for F. K. Newton.

Jack Strait, of Roulette, was recently seen on our streets.

FARMER'S VALLEY.

K. K. Ferris came home Tuesday from the Bradford hospital. His many friends are glad to see him around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Fredricks, of Crosby, attended church at this place last Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Theresa Heinemann, of Colegrove, visited friends and relatives here last Tuesday.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a gospel temperance meeting at the church on Saturday evening. Everybody is invited to attend as it will be an exceptionally good one.

The picnic to be held on Tuesday was postponed until the next day on account of rains.

Orman Dickerson was over from Ormsby on Sunday.

Johnny Stark, who was on the sick list last week, has recovered.

Claude Shattic, of Brooklyn, is visiting friends here.

The dance at H. C. Warner's on Monday night was a failure.

Simon Martin lost a valuable cow last week.

Services will be held next Sunday at 3 o'clock, Rev. L. A. McIntyre officiating.

Rev. McIntyre's sister and cousin from Bradford are visiting him.

The farmers in this section are busy with their haying, or what there is of it.

CLERMONT.

The dance at the opera house on Tuesday evening was a grand success in every sense of the word.

David Schlieff had the misfortune to cut his foot with an axe while at work with the engineers on the St. Marys & Buffalo R. R. Dr. Chadwick dressed the wound.

B. E. Wellenhoff was in town one day this week looking after the interests of the new railroad. He is rushing things right along.

A. Hellmann has his house on the G. W. Belknap farm neatly completed, which adds very much to the looks of the town. Who will be the next to build? Let the good work go on.

The new Catholic church is now progressing nicely. The frame is enclosed and will soon be completed.

Rev. G. W. Halliwell and R. K. Goddlup of Smethport, had business in town on Tuesday last.

The roller skating craze has struck town for good, there being a large attendance at the rink each evening.

NORWICH.

Mr. John Hillard is on the sick list.

George Rowley and Frank Dickison drove to Port Allegany last Sunday.

Mr. William Dickinson has gone to St. Mary's on business.

Clark Miner, of Emporium, is visiting here.

Miss Emma Gallup returned from Cameron Co., Monday, where she has been visiting relatives for several days.

Miss Lena Dickinson is entertaining her friend, Miss Inez Hibbard, of Smethport, this week.

At Mr. Rowley's dance the evening of the 4th Geo. Mattison had a suit of clothes stolen from a carriage, and the same thieves took from the house a pair of shoes belonging to Cortis Abbey.

An ice cream social was held on Frank Gallup's lawn last Wednesday evening for the benefit of Rev. Remington. The atmosphere being cool, overcoats were used.

William Denison had business at the county seat on Tuesday.

LEWIS RUN.

Work on the new hose house is again in progress. Owing to some misunderstanding in the purchase of a lot, Mr. Lawson has abandoned the moving of the old hose house and perhaps the hose company will be called upon to make another sale.

T. F. Driscoll spent last Sunday visiting friends at Eldred and Port Allegany.

D. M. Scudder and wife are back from Randolph, where they have been spending a few weeks.

William A. Foster may save himself the trouble of telling the people that he is going to be a candidate for school director next spring, for we know he's not. Your goose is cooked in this township, Bill.

B. W. Ogden is keeping his eye open as to the condition of the roads and the best means of putting them in order.

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Miss Bertha Lilly returned to her home in Port Allegany last Tuesday after an extended visit here with relatives and friends.

The stock of logs is nearly all sawed, and the mill will soon shut down.

Many of the mill hands are already going to other localities to get work.

List of Letters

remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending July 13, 1895:

Crow, Hugh, S.	Nelson, Chas.
Dart, Mrs. Lena A.	Prens, Clinton
Cameron, James (two)	Shock, G. S. (two)
Davison, G. W.	Schemermann Mrs. J. S.
Hendrickson, Elida	Van Horn, S. L.

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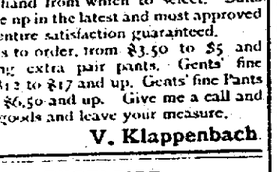

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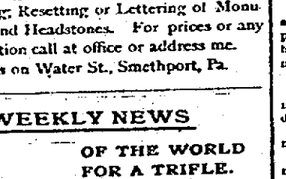

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And moved and spoke in quiet grown up wise,
Having put by his wonted childish toys,
I strove to find what changed him. Could it be
With bolder words and bolder deeds
His mother, who was patient, bring dread.
Then, fearing lest his grief should hinder sleep,
I visited his bed,
But found him slumbering deep,
With darkened eyelids and their lashes yet
From his late sobbing wet.
And I, with tender pity moved,
Softly disturbed his hand
To see if I could find
What the dear heart hath proved.
Thus my doubts resolved,
I found within his hand
A box of counters and a red vein'd stone,
A piece of glass abraded by the beach
And six or seven shells,
A bottle with bluebells
And two French copper coins, rang'd there
with careful art
To comfort his sad heart.
So when that night I prayed
To God and wept and said:
"Ah, when at last we lie with tranced breath,
Not weeting this in death,
And then remembrest of what toys
We make our joys,
How weakly understood
Thy great commanded good,
Then, Lord, Thy pity send
Then I whom thou hast molded from the clay,
Thou'lt leave thy wrath and say,
'I will be sorry for their childishness.'"

—Coventry Patmore in Church Standard.

HE WAS VERY HUNGRY.

How a Texan Got a Good Meal at a General's Expense.

Mr. Goss, in his "Recollections of a Private," quotes the remarks of a Confederate about two famous leaders under whom he had fought. This man said of Stonewall Jackson, "If you uns had some good general like him, I reckon you uns could lick we uns." When asked whether Bo had ever seen General Lee, he replied: "Yes; I was a sort of orderly for Uncle Robert for awhile. He's a mighty calmliko man when a fight is goin' on."

This story is told of General John B. Magruder:

"Our General Magruder thinks a powerful heap of what he eats and wears. He allers has a right smart of truck.

"There was a Texas feller one time who had straggled from his brigade, and he were a pert one, he were, stranger. He were hungry enough to eat a general, buttons and all—that Texas feller were. He saw Magruder's table all spread, with a heap of good fixin's on it, and I'll be hanged if he didn't walk in, pert as you please, grabbed a knife and fork and opened fire all along the line on them fixin's.

"Magruder heard something in his tent and hurried in and asked that Texas chap what brought him thar. The Texan 'lowed he were hungry. Then the general, stiff and grandlike, said, 'Do you know, sir, as whose table you are eatin'?

"The Texas chap, he kept drivin in the pickets on them chicken's, and he said to the gen'ral, said he, 'No, old hoss, and I ain't no ways partic'lar, neither, since I've come soldierin.'"

"What did Magruder do?" asked a Yankee listener.

"Do? Why, he saw them chicken fixin's were spiled, and he jest put his arm under his coattail, pulled his hat over his eyes and walked out. And that Texas boss didn't leave anything on that thar table 'cept the plates—not even his compliments.

"Who were he? Well, no matter. He hadn't no manners, he hadn't. He were powerful hungry, stranger, that chap were."

A Fortunate Accident.

"I am lost!" the prima donna sobbed. "My hours of hard study have gone for nothing."

"Alas, what is the matter?" asked her maid.

"My prospects are ruined, all through a wretched accident. Just as I was approaching the end of my aria a horrid bug flew on the stage and lit on my neck."

"And you screamed?"

"I did. What else could I do? It was my last scene and I had no chance to redeem myself."

The bell sounded and the maid announced a man from the theater.

"Show him in," said the prima donna. "I may as well meet my fate at once. It is my dismissal from the company."

"Excuse me, ma'am, for disturbin you," said the visitor, "but de manager wants to know did you run away from your curtain recall 'cause you was took sick."

"No. I am perfectly well."

"All right. That'll ease his mind. He says that screech you let out at the wind up was the finest high C he's heard in years and you've got the brass crazy over you."—Washington Star.

Modesty.

The confidence of musicians in their own accomplishments is often a matter of merriment to other people. A certain painist had performed several sonatas, to the not too great delight of a private company, when the hostess thought proper to compliment him moderately.

"Your playing is remarkably fine, Mr. Keys," she said.

The pianist waved his hand deprecatingly.

"Really, madam," he said, "the credit does not belong to me. If I am endowed with genius by a higher power!"—Youth's Companion.

Too Funny by Half.

"Do you keep bloomers to rent?" she asked as she sailed into a fashionable dressmaker's on Fulton street.

"No," said the polite salesman, "but we keep materials for repairing rents in bloomers. Have you"—

But she was gone.—Brooklyn Eagle.

In 1402 the cold was so severe in Russia that the Baltic sea was frozen over. In 1460 this occurred again, and horsemen rode from Denmark to Sweden.

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A HOTEL GHOST.

The Narrative of a Singular Experience of Lord and Lady Dunraven.

Apropos of a report that the Everett House was to be closed, which was denied, however, there is a story that Lady Dunraven has been known to tell about the famous old inn. The countess is described by those who know her as a woman much more inclined to common sense than to ghost haunted Cock lanes, even with Dr. Johnson's authority. She used to tell the facts in the tale simply for what they were worth.

It was more than one decade ago, years before the Valkyrie was thought of, when Lord Dunraven was first interested in the mining regions of northern Michigan. He and Lady Dunraven were staying in New York for a few days before starting west and had taken rooms at the Everett—pleasant rooms, with a view of the avenue and a nice glimpse of Washington square. The first night, being tired with their voyage, they went early to bed, but, as it happened, not so early to sleep. Both the earl and countess were blessed with hearty English constitutions. They were not at all accustomed to lying awake till the small hours.

They wondered what they could have done, what they could have eaten or drunk to afflict them with such gratuitous vigilance. Just at a venture finally they bundled themselves out into the adjoining parlor, made themselves extempore couches there and slept soundly till morning. Next night and the night after there was the same wakefulness and in the end the same migration to the adjoining room for relief. They began to think they should have to leave town earlier than they had planned, for they would not for the world have made any protest to shift chambers.

The explanation of the mystery, if it was an explanation, came out by chance. They had a call before long from an old time New Yorker whom they had met in England, an authority on all matters pertaining to the town's minor history. "I wonder," he remarked casually, "that they should have given you those rooms. You know it was in that room there, not so long ago, that a Mr. Fuller hanged himself." It was in that room that Lord and Lady Dunraven had tried in vain to sleep, and they exchanged significant glances. Of course it was only a coincidence, they said, but the next day they took their departure for the west.—New York Tribune.

INFLUENCE OF SCIENCE.

The Characteristic of Savants Is Their Unfailing Optimism.

The best that we gain from the pursuit of research is, Professor C. S. Minot writes in The Popular Science Monthly, our characteristic optimism. We are engaged in achieving results, and results of the most permanent and enduring quality. A business man may achieve a fortune, but time will dissipate it. A statesman may be the savior of a nation, but how long do nations live? Knowledge has no country, belongs to no class, but is the might of mankind, and it is mightier for what each of us has done. We have brought our stones, and they are built into the edifice and into its grandeur. My stone is a small one. It will certainly be forgotten that it is mine; nevertheless it will remain in place.

How different is the pessimism toward which literary men are wont to tend! Harvard university lost James Russell Lowell in 1891 and Asa Gray in 1888. The letters of both of these eminent men have been published. Lowell's letters grow sad and discouraged, and he gives way more and more to the pessimistic spirit. Gray is optimistic steadily and to the end. The difference was partly due to natural temperament, but chiefly, I think, to the influence of their respective professions. The subject material of the literary man is familiar human nature and familiar human surroundings, and his task is to express the thoughts and dreams which these suggest. He must compete with the whole past, with all the genius that has been. There is nothing new under the sun, he exclaims. But to us it is a proverb contradicted by our daily experience.

Galvanic Bronzing.

By means of a recent French improvement the process of galvanic bronzing is said to have been made not only more simple, but capable also of giving every tone, from that of barbedian bronze to antique green, governed by the length of time that the copper is allowed to remain in contact with the liquid. After the piece has been well scoured it is covered by means of a brush with a mixture composed of 20 parts of castor oil, 80 of alcohol and 40 parts each of soft soap and water. Thus treated, the piece left to itself for a period of 24 hours becomes bronzed, and if the duration of contact be prolonged the tone changes, a very great variety of tones, pleasing in their appearance, being obtainable in this manner. The drying is finally effected with hot sawdust, the only remaining operation being then that of coating the piece with a colorless varnish largely diluted with alcohol, thus insuring work of the finest character.—New York Sun.

At the Pearly Gates.

St. Peter (from within)—Who agitates the celestial latchstring?

Strong Voiced Shade—'Tis I, the new woman. A mere man is with me.

St. Peter—'Tis well. Let each state his attributes.

New Woman—You know me. I came. I saw. I conquered.

The Mere Man—My office is to salute, submit and surrender.

St. Peter—The latch is lit. Place your scrophant on the toboggan and step inside.—Washington Times.

Voice of Experience.

Grinnen—Dying at a hotel is, it seems to me, the saddest thing on earth.

Barrett—There is only one thing sadder—living at a hotel.—Chicago Tribune.

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Although investigation has not been idle, experimenters have not been wholly agreed as to the exact property or field of the sun's rays which is most efficient in action on bacteria and fungi.

The inquiry has been continued by Professor H. Marshall Ward, to whom the thought occurred in the course of his work that the most direct answer to the question, Which rays are the most effective ones? might be best obtained by shining the solar spectrum directly upon the film of spores, and making it record the effects by their subsequent behavior, according as the different groups of rays fell upon them—in other words, by obtaining a photograph of the spectrum in living and dead bacteria.

The results showed conclusively that the rays that kill the bacteria are the blue and violet ones. An observation was made during the investigation which may go far to account for the unsatisfactory character of the determinations of former experiments.

The chief difficulty to be overcome was the great weakening of the intensity of the dispersed rays of the beam of light decomposed to form the spectrum, a weakening caused by the distribution of the incidence of the rays over a larger area and by their absorption and reflection in passing through the lenses and prisms.

It was found also, in working with the electric light, that the power of the blue and violet rays was further impaired—in other words, that they were stopped—by the material (glass) through which they had to pass.

The effect of the glass was practically the same as that of mist or haze in the atmosphere, which so filters out the blue violet rays that the light of a dull day was of little effect in the author's experiments.

These difficulties were overcome by using quarts instead of glass, with which it was possible to obtain a very pure spectrum sufficiently rich in blue and violet rays to kill the spores in a few hours. The author found it easy to obtain satisfactory results in the summer with solar rays, even with glass lenses, mirrors, etc., and exposures of five or six hours, but in winter the exposures required to be so long as to be almost impracticable.—Popular Science Monthly.

The French Expedition to Egypt.

The most novel spectacle of all was a carefully organized and equipped expedition of 100 or more scholars, who, according to what was then the fashion, were destined to gather the treasures of the pharaohs and of the Ptolemies for the collection of Paris. Their apparatus for dissolvery was the best obtainable, their learning was at least respectable and their library was a mixture of the ancient classics with those of the modern romanticism, of medieval lore with modern atheism. Homer and Virgil jostled Ossian and Tasso, while Rousseau's "Heloise" stood neighbor to Goethe's "Werther." Among other political works were Montesquieu, the Vedas, the Koran and the Bible. Caroline Bonaparte gave her brother as a farewell gift a little pocket library, among the volumes of which were Bacon's "Essays," Mme. de Stael's "Influence of the Passions" and Mercier's "Philosophic Visions." The curious have examined these volumes and found in their well worn pages a few passages specially marked. In his hours of solitude the great solitary read in Bacon how he who dominates others loses his own liberty; in Mme. de Stael how hard it is to keep the compositions of ambition; in Mercier of an oriental visionary who, after the glories of temporary success, ended his days in exile and forgetfulness.—Professor Sloane's "Life of Napoleon" in Century.

Rather Mean.

"Speaking of dinners," said Hawkins, "reminds me of something I overheard in those very rooms not two nights ago. I always knew Snooks was of a saving nature, but I never believed that the fellow was downright mean.

"How's that?" asked Bluffkins indifferently.

"Well, it was like this. Tuesday night Snooks came in and began talking with Webb. 'I hear you're going away on Saturday,' said Snooks.

"'Yes,' answered Webb. 'For three months.'

"'And what are you doing tomorrow night?'

"'Wednesday,' said Webb. 'I have no engagement for Wednesday.'

"'And the next night?'

"'That's Thursday. I dine with the Blakes on that day.'

"'Dear, dear! That's a pity,' said Snooks, with a good bluff at disappointment. 'I wanted you to take dinner with me on Thursday.'"—Boston Budget.

School Methods Abroad.

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Directions For Sterilizing Milk.

Provide six or eight half pint bottles, according to the number of times the child is fed during the 24 hours. Put the proper amount of food for one feeding in each bottle and use a tuft of cotton batting as a stopper. Have a saucepan that the bottles can stand in conveniently. Invert a perforated tin pie plate in the bottom and put in enough water to come above the milk in the bottles. Stand the bottles on it; when the water boils draw the saucepan to a cooler part of the stove, where the water will remain near the boiling point but not actually boiling. Cover the saucepan and let the bottles remain in it one hour. Put them in the icebox or a cool place in winter.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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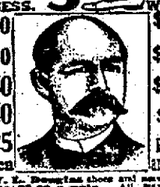

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5.10 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

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9.05 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johns